

House Resolution 1066

By: Representatives Davis of the 109th, McKillip of the 115th, Heard of the 104th, Ramsey of the 72nd, Cox of the 102nd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the president of the University of Georgia, Michael Adams,
2 on his efforts to have the NCAA replace the bowl championship series with an eight-team
3 college football playoff; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, for some 20 years, President Michael Adams has opposed a football playoff
5 system, largely for academic reasons; and

6 WHEREAS, this past year's experience with the bowl championship series forced him to the
7 conclusion that the current system has lost public confidence and simply will no longer work;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, he feels it is undercutting the sportsmanship and integrity of the game; and

10 WHEREAS, President Adams is advocating a seven-game, single-elimination tournament
11 run by the NCAA, which currently has no say in the bowl championship series; and

12 WHEREAS, President Adams' scenario is to have an NCAA selection committee place the
13 top eight teams in the four major bowl championship series games, and the winners of these
14 four games would play in two playoff games on the first Saturday at least a week past the
15 New Year's bowl games, with the national championship game between the two winners the
16 following Saturday; and

17 WHEREAS, President Adams further advocates returning the regular season to an 11-game
18 season to save wear and tear on the student-athletes; and

19 WHEREAS, as chairman of the NCAA's executive committee, he will propose to the NCAA
20 board that this playoff process be put into place; and

1 WHEREAS, President Adams believes chances are at least 50-50 that his proposal will pass,
2 and his goal is to have a playoff system adopted within a year or two; and

3 WHEREAS, he was convinced that the bowl championship series needed changing after
4 listening to a growing sentiment among student-athletes that they would like to see playoffs,
5 and a growing sense among presidents of other universities that there are some fairly serious
6 inequities built into the present system.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
8 the members of this body recognize and commend President Michael Adams for his foresight
9 and extend their sincerest best wishes for his success in accomplishing this change.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
11 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to President Michael Adams.